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Organizations serving Texas Veterans receive more than \$6 Million in grants

TEXAS – The Texas Veterans Commission is pleased to announce that 37 organizations have been awarded \$6 million in General Assistance and Veterans Mental Health grants, which will support nonprofit and local government organizations that provide direct services to Texas Veterans and their families.

“Over the next year, these grantees will further our mission by serving Texas Veterans and their family member across Texas by offering their unique services,” said Thomas P. Palladino, Executive Director of the Texas Veterans Commission. “To date, the Commission has awarded 282 grants – almost \$51 million in grants serving more than 190,000 Texas Veterans and their family members.”

Organizations receiving funding to support Veterans and their families began projects as of July 1, 2015, and are providing vital services such as emergency financial assistance for rent and utilities, rapid re-housing for Veterans who are at risk for homelessness, and supportive family services. Two grantees focus on providing homeless/housing services specifically for women Veterans.

The Veterans Mental Health grants provide a range of mental health services including Peer Networking Centers, peer-to-peer sessions, and equine therapy.

The following 26 organizations received grants in the General Assistance category totaling \$5 million in grants and 11 organizations received grants in the Veterans Mental Health category totaling \$1.23 million in grants.

Series XV-B General Assistance Grants Totaling \$5,000,000

PANHANDLE

- **Hale**
–Hale County Meals on Wheels – Awarded \$50,000

Counties Served: Hale
Supportive Services Provided

- **Amarillo**
–**Salvation Army – Amarillo – Awarded \$300,000**
Counties Served: Armstrong, Carson, Deaf Smith, Gray, Hutchinson, Moore, Oldham, Potter, Randall
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

CENTRAL TEXAS

- **Austin**
– **CenterPoint, Inc. – Awarded \$200,000**
Counties Served: Bell, Hays, Travis, Williamson
Financial Assistance Provided

–**Comfort Crew for Military Kids – Awarded \$125,000**
Counties Served: Statewide
Family Services Provided

– **Goodwill Industries of Central Texas – Awarded \$50,000**
Counties Served: Bastrop, Hays, Travis, Williamson
Financial Assistance Provided

–**Green Doors – Awarded \$125,000**
Counties Served: Travis
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

–**Honor Flight Austin – Awarded \$30,000**
Counties Served: Statewide
Supportive Services Provided

–**Texas Legal Services Center – Awarded \$200,000**
Counties Served: Statewide
Legal Services Provided

–**Texas Rural Water Foundation – Awarded \$5,000**
Counties Served: Statewide
Employment Services Provided

–**Meals on Wheels and More, Inc. – Awarded \$200,000**
Counties Served: Bastrop, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Travis, Williamson
Supportive Services Provided
- **Bastrop**
–**Joyful Horse Project – Awarded \$20,000**
Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Brazos, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Grimes, Hays, Lee, Leon, Llano, Madison, Milam, Robertson, Travis, Washington, Williamson

Family Services Provided

- **Killeen**
–**Bring Everyone In The Zone – Awarded \$20,000**
Counties Served: Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam
Financial Assistance Provided

–**Communities in Schools of Greater Central Texas, Inc. – Awarded \$300,000**
Counties Served: Bell, Coryell
Family Services Provided
- **Waco**
–**Salvation Army – Waco – Awarded \$200,000**
Counties Served: McLennan
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

ALAMO AREA

- **San Antonio**
–**Family Endeavors, Inc. – Awarded \$500,000**
Counties Served: Atascosa, Bandera, Bee, Bexar, Brooks, Cameron, Comal, DeWitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Goliad, Guadalupe, Gonzales, Hays, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kinney, Kleberg, LaSalle, Lavaca, Live Oak, McMullen, Maverick, Medina, Nueces, Real, Refugio, San Patricio, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Zapata, Zavala
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

–**Salvation Army – San Antonio– Awarded \$400,000**
Counties Served: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, Wilson
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

NORTH TEXAS

- **Denton**
–**Denton County Veterans Coalition – Awarded \$50,000**
Counties Served: Denton
Financial Assistance Provided
- **Fort Worth**
–**CLC, Inc. – Awarded \$500,000**
Counties Served: Dallas, Denton, Erath, Hood, Johnson, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Tarrant
Financial Assistance Provided

SOUTH TEXAS

- **Corpus Christi**
–**Nueces County – Awarded \$125,000**
Counties Served: Nueces
Financial Assistance Provided

GULF COAST

- **Houston**

–Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston–Houston – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris

Homeless/Housing Services Provided For Women Veterans

–Houston Area Urban League – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Waller

Homeless/Housing Services Provided

–Lone Star Legal Aid – Awarded \$150,000

Counties Served: Anderson, Angelina, Austin, Bell, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Burleson, Camp, Cass, Chambers, Cherokee, Colorado, Coryell, Delta, Falls, Fayette, Fort Bend, Franklin, Freestone, Galveston, Gregg, Grimes, Hamilton, Hardin, Harris, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Hopkins, Houston, Jasper, Jefferson, Lamar, Lampasas, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Madison, Marion, Matagorda, McLennan, Milam, Montgomery, Morris, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Newton, Orange, Panola, Polk, Rains, Red River, Robertson, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Van Zandt, Walker, Waller, Washington, Wharton, Wood

Legal Services Provided

–Santa Maria Hostel – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, Wharton

Homeless/Housing Services Provided For Women Veterans

–Worklife Ministry, Inc. – Awarded \$150,000

Counties Served: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, Wharton

Employment Services Provided

WEST TEXAS

- **El Paso**

–Child Crisis Center of El Paso – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Serves: El Paso

Family Services Provided

EAST TEXAS

- **Longview**

–Community Healthcore – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Bowie, Camp, Cass, Gregg, Harrison, Marion, Morris, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Titus, Upshur

Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Veterans Mental Health 2015 – 2016 Grants Totaling \$1,225,000

PANHANDLE

- **Amarillo**
–**Family Support Services of Amarillo – Awarded \$150,000**
Counties Served: Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Floyd, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lamb, Lipscomb, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler

CENTRAL TEXAS

- **Georgetown**
–**R.O.C.K. Ride on Center for Kids – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Coryell, Hays, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, McLennan, Milan, San Saba, Travis, Williamson
- **Leander**
–**Equine Rehabilitation Central Texas – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Travis, Williamson
- **Waco**
–**Heart of Texas Region MHMR – Awarded \$150,000**
Counties Served: Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone, McLennan

ALAMO AREA

- **San Antonio**
–**Triple H Equitherapy – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Kendall, Kerr, Medina

–**VET TRIIP, Inc. – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Statewide

NORTH TEXAS

- **Fort Worth**
–**Catholic Charities, Diocese of Fort Worth, Inc. – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Foard, Hardeman, Montague, Wichita, Wilbarger, Young

–**Recovery Resource Council – Awarded \$150,000**
Counties Served: Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Tarrant
- **Midlothian**
–**Paws for Reflection Ranch – Awarded \$75,000**
Counties Served: Dallas, Ellis, Johnson, Tarrant
- **Richard Hills**
–**Grace After Fire – Awarded \$125,000**

Counties Served: Bexar, Dallas, Harris, Montgomery, Parker, Tarrant, Wise

GULF COAST

- **Houston**

–United States Veterans Initiative – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Harris

Veterans, family members and caregivers who may require assistance or services should contact the service provider directly.

Individuals can support these grants by making a secure online donation through the Texas.gov's Veteran Donation Portal, here <https://txapps.texas.gov/tolapp/fva/home.do>.

Texas Veterans Commission

The mission of the Texas Veterans Commission is to advocate for and provide superior service to Veterans and their families in the areas of disability claims assistance, employment services, education benefits, and grant funding. Over 200 skilled counselors in 75 cities provide one-on-one guidance to Veterans and their families to ensure they receive all of the benefits to which they are entitled.

For more information about the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance, please visit <http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Fund-for-Veterans-Assistance.aspx>.

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